TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 1061 - SB 1083

March 11, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases, from not more than \$50 to not less than \$100, the fine for speeding in a school zone. Establishes a maximum fine of \$250. Requires \$50 of the fine to be deposited to the Safe Pathways for Students Fund.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – \$18,000/General Fund \$200,000/Safe Pathways for Students Fund

Increase Local Revenue – \$182,000

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety, there are approximately 400 Tennessee Highway Patrol issued citations annually for which fines are collected. The average fine under current law is \$25. The average fine as a result of this bill will be \$125.
- There will be an increase in revenue from citations of \$40,000 (400 convictions x \$100 increase).
- Local courts retain five percent as commission; an increase in local revenue of \$2,000 (\$40,000 x 5%).
- An amount of \$20,000 will be deposited into the Safe Pathways for Students Fund (400 violations x \$50).
- An increase in state revenue to the General Fund of \$18,000 (\$40,000 \$2,000 \$20,000).
- Approximately 3,600 violations will occur annually in local jurisdictions.
- An increase in fine revenue from local government citations of \$360,000 (3,600 violations x \$100 increase).
- An amount of \$180,000 will be deposited into the Safe Pathways for Students Fund (3,600 violations x \$50).
- Local governments and county clerks will retain the remaining \$180,000.
- A total increase in state revenue to the Safe Pathways for Students Fund of \$200,000 (\$20,000 + \$180,000).
- A total increase in local revenue of \$182,000 (\$2,000 + \$180,000).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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